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## AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

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## Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$5,000,000 Dollars. RESERVE FUND, \$600,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman:—E. HOPKINS, Esq. Deputy Chairman:—F. D. SARNOON, Esq.

AD. ANDER, Esq. A. McIVER, Esq. E. R. BELLION, Esq. S. W. FOSBERG, Esq. Hon. W. KESWICK. Ed. TOBIN, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER. Hongkong, J. THOMAS JACKSON, Esq. Manager. Shanghai, E. W. CAMERON, Esq. LONDON BANKERS:—London and County Bank.

## HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED. On Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balances.

On Fixed Deposits:—For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum. " 6 " 4 " " " " 12 " 5 " " " "

Local Bills Discounted. Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager. Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, February 15, 1876.

## Auctions.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

### TUESDAY,

the 27th day of February, 1877, at p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,—

VALUABLE DRAMATIC LIBRARY. COMPRISING:—

Scarce Reprints of the Old English Dramatists.

The First Folio Edition of Beaumont and Fletcher's Works, with the rare Portrait of Fletcher by Marshall, 1679.

The First Folio Edition of Shakespeare's Works, 1623.

First Complete Edition of Ben Jonson's Works, Engraved Frontispiece, by Hole, Vols. Small Folio, 1640.

D'Avenant's Dramatic Works, Brilliant Impression of the Excessively Rare portrait by Faithorne, Small Folio, 1673.

Suckling's Fragments Aurea, Engraved portrait by Marshall, 1646.

An Uncut Copy of Shirley's Works, Vols., 1633, very rare.

An Uncut Copy of Middleton's Works, Vols., 1640, very rare.

A Few Early Quarto Plays, &c., &c., &c., a whole in Fine Condition, and many the utmost rarity.

Also, A Collection of Miscellaneous Works, including a Complete Set of the Original Editions of Dickens's Christmas Works, Vols., 1843, very rare.

Kay's Edinburgh Portraits, 4 Vols. An Early English Prayer Book, in leather Shell and Silver Binding.

Also, An Invoice of Saratoga Trunks, Lady's Gentlemen's Traveling Bags, Satchels, &c., &c., &c.

An Invoice of Plated-ware, consisting of Ice-Pitchers, Various Patterns, Cups, Bitters, Pickle Stands, and Oak Dining-room Chairs, Cane Back Office chairs, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer. Hongkong, February 21, 1877. fe27

## Auctions.

SALE OF HORSES & CARRIAGES, &c., AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, at the Stables, Government House, on

### TUESDAY,

the 27th February, 1877, at 4 o'clock p.m.,—

The following HORSES and CARRIAGES, &c., the Property of His Excellency Sir ARTHUR KENNEDY, &c., &c.

A Bay Australian Horse, *Kalamarang*, Carries a Lady, and quiet in Harness.

A Black Australian Horse, *The Shark*, 8 years old, Carries a Lady.

A London-built Victoria with Pole, Shafts and Single Harness.

A Light American Waggon with Pole, and Fitted for Shafts.

A quiet Pony, with Trap and Harness. The above may be viewed at Government House Stables, till the time of Sale.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, February 20, 1877. fe27

### POSTPONEMENT OF SALE.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Dr. Geo. Dons, to sell by Public Auction, on

### FRIDAY,

the 2nd day of March, 1877, at 12 o'clock Noon, at his Residence, 2, College Gardens,—

The whole of his HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, consisting of: Drawing-Room Furniture in Walnut, made by Whitlock and Finlay of Edinburgh; Dining-room Furniture in Mahogany, by Finlay of Edinburgh; Brussels Carpets, Pictures, Glass-ware, Crockery, Bed-room Furniture, Books, &c., &c.

A Semi-Grand PIANO, by Collard and Collard.

A SEWING MACHINE for Hand or Foot, by Singer.

A JARDINIÈRE, by Motzla of London.

LOBBY FURNITURE, in Black-wood.

And, One Parlour BILLIARD TABLE, with Balls, Cues, &c., complete. Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after TUESDAY, the 1st March.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at Purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer. Hongkong, February 19, 1877. mc2

## Intimations.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Sixth Ordinary MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Head Office, Victoria, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 2nd March, 1877, at 3 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, to 31st December, 1876.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th February to the 2nd March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, OLYPHANT & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, January 23, 1877. mc2

HONGKONG.

Chs. J. GAUPP & Co.,

WATCHMAKERS & JEWELLERS,

33, Queen's Road,

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,

CHRONOMETERS,

&c., &c., &c.

Carefully Repaired, Cleaned and accurately rated under guarantee.

All Repairs in the above line done at reasonable rates and with despatch.

Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

### W. BALL,

### CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS, DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES, TOILET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDICINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG,

Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf. Hongkong, July 13, 1876.

## Intimations.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.

ARE NOW LANDING AN INVOICE OF

ROUYER GUILLET & Co.'s CELEBRATED BRANDY.

This BRANDY is well known in England, the Colonies, and India. The Firm possess Six Vineyards and Six Distilleries, and are amongst the largest shippers from Charente.

Qualities One \*, Two \*\*, Three \*\*\*, and Four \*\*\*, in Cases of One Dozen Quarts.

Also,

POMMERY & GRENOS

"Extra Sec." CHAMPAGNE,

in Quarts and Pints,

As supplied to the principal London Clubs.

Hongkong, January 5, 1877. [apb]

## THE MEDICAL HALL,

137, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

ESTABLISHED 1863.

TH. KOFFER, Proprietor.

Hongkong, April 28, 1876. ap28

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the Half-year ending on 30th December last, at the rate of ONE POUND STERLING (£1) per Share of \$125, is PAYABLE on and after THURSDAY, the 15th Instant, at the Office of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors, THOMAS JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 15, 1877.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are requested to send in an Account of Business Contributed during the Half Year ended 31st December, 1876, on or before the 28th Instant, on which Date the Accounts will be Closed.

By Order of the Directors, D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, February 12, 1877. mol

## NOTICE.

PACIFIC MAIL S. S. Co.

BY Order of the Board of Directors of the PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, we have ASSUMED CHARGE of the COMPANY'S BUSINESS at this Port. Until Further Notice the Offices of the Company will remain at No. 16, Praya Central.

Mr. C. V. SMITH is authorized to sign Bills of Lading.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For Security's sake Shippers of Overland Cargo are requested to endorse on the Envelope the Marks and Nos. of Packages Shipped, to correspond with those in their Bills of Lading.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 9, 1877. mc2

## SPANISH CONSULATE.

TENDERS for the Construction of SEVEN BOATS for the Spanish Men-of-war will be RECEIVED at This Office until Noon of the 4th day of March next.

Conditions, Plans, &c., are exposed at the same for the information of persons wishing to make proposals.

A. FARAUDO, Consul for Spain.

Hongkong, February 22, 1877. mc4

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANÇAIS.

HONGKONG AGENCY.

FROM This Date the Offices of this Agency are REMOVED to the Premises in the PRAYA CENTRAL lately occupied by Messrs GILMAN & Co., next to Messrs RUSSELL & Co.'s Building.

H. DU POUËY, Agent. Hongkong, February 1, 1877. mol

## NOTICE.

LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE Co.

THE BUSINESS of this Company has This Day been Transferred to THE MARINE INSURANCE Co., of 20, Old Broad Street, LONDON.

By Order of the Proprietors, WILLIAM HUNT, Secretary.

137, Leadenhall Street, LONDON, 1st January, 1877.

THE MARINE INSURANCE Co. 20, Old Broad Street, LONDON, 1st January, 1877.

ESTABLISHED 1836. CAPITAL, £1,000,000 STERLING. RESERVE FUND, £340,000.

WITH Reference to the foregoing Advertisement THE MARINE INSURANCE Co. has This Day taken over the Business of the LONDON & ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT Co., and has Appointed Mr. A. McIVER as its AGENT in Hongkong.

By Order of the Board of Directors, ROBERT J. LODGE, Manager.

THE Undersigned is prepared to Accept Risks and issue Policies on behalf of the MARINE INSURANCE Co. by any First Class Steamer.

A. McIVER, Agent of the Marine Insurance Co. of London.

Hongkong, February 16, 1877. au17

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

MR. FRITZ LANGE'S Interest and Responsibility in our Firm ceased on the 31st December last.

WM. PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877. mol

### NOTICE.

MR. J. F. CORDE'S Interest and Responsibility in our Firm ceased on the 31st December last.

WM. PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877. mol

### NOTICE.

MR. FERDINAND NISSEN has been compelled to retire from our Firm in consequence of failing health, and his Interest and responsibility ceased on the 31st December last.

Mrs. NICOLAUS AUGUST NISSEN has been authorised to sign for us by Procuration.

We have this day reopened a branch of our Firm at Canton.

SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1877. ap2

## VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

ON and after the 16th day of November, 1876, and until further notice, the BUSINESS of the above-named DISPENSARY will be carried on by the Undersigned.

WM. CRUTCHSHANK, Manager.

Hongkong, November 21, 1876.

### NOTICE.

THE Partnership hitherto existing between the Undersigned under the name of MESSRS & HYS has this day been dissolved by lapse of time, and the signature of the Firm will henceforth be used for the Liquidation only.

C. J. MESTERN, W. HULSE.

Canton, December 31, 1876. ap2

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

WE have been appointed AGENTS for the "AMERICAN SHIPMASTERS' ASSOCIATION."

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co. Hongkong, February 2, 1877. ap2

### NOTICE.

THE Authority given Mr. ALFRED HERTZ to sign our Firm by Procuration has been withdrawn.

CARLOWITZ & Co. Hongkong, February 16, 1877.

## For Sale.

SAYLE & Co.

GREAT CLEARANCE SALE.

IN Order to make Room for SPRING GOODS.

On and after MONDAY, February 5th, We shall offer the Remainder of Our WINTER STOCK at an immense reduction.

DRESS GOODS at 15 cents per yard. DRESS GOODS at 20 cents per yard. DRESS GOODS at 25 cents per yard. DRESS GOODS at 30 cents per yard. DRESS GOODS at 35 cents per yard.

FANCY SILKS! We offer about 6,000 yards at 35 cents per yard, (these are more or less soiled); original price \$1.50 and \$2.00 per yard.

JAPANESE SILKS! Reduced to 40 cents per yard.

WOOL SHAWLS, MANTLES and JACKETS, Marked very Cheap.

LADIES', BOYS' and GIRLS' FELT HATS, at Half Price.

FANCY WOOL GOODS, at less than Half Price.

LADIES' and CHILDREN'S WOOL and MERINO HOSE, Greatly reduced.

100 dozen CHILDREN'S WOOL and MERINO SOCKS, all Sizes, at less than Half Price.

Several thousand Yards of VARIOUS REMNANTS, comprising: FLANNELS, CALICOS, PRINTS, MUSLINS, STUFF GOODS and Other Useful GOODS, are Marked at Prices, which must effect immediate Sale.

In order to prevent disappointment, We beg to inform Our Customers and the Public that this Extraordinary, and Unprecedented Sale must close on February 28th.

## SAYLE & Co.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE,

Queen's Road & Stanley Street.

### FOR SALE.

CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s Celebrated Brands of WINES and SPIRITS.

Apply to SIEMSEN & Co. Hongkong, June 22, 1876.

### FOR SALE.

CHAMPAGNE. MOET & CHANDON. GRAND CREMANT. Quarts \$18, Pints \$19.

GRAND VIN DE BOURGOYNE. CHAMBERTIN, \$15 per Doz. ROMANEE CONTI, \$17 " " " " RICHENBOURG, \$17 " " " "

Apply to ED. CHASTEL, Queen's Road, Opposite Hongkong Club. Hongkong, February 19, 1877. fe25

### FOR SALE.

CHAMPAGNE, 1874. HEIDSIECK & Co., MONOPOLE.

DEETJEN & Co. Hongkong, February 19, 1877. mc19

### NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Part I, A to K, with Introduction. Royal 8vo, pp. 202.—By ERNEST JOHN EITEL, Ph.D. Tübingen.

Price! Two Dollars and a Half. To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.

Hongkong, February 8, 1877.

## Shipping.

### Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI. The Steamship "LEONOR."

Captain M. YOUNG, will be dispatched for the above Ports on MONDAY, the 26th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, February 21, 1877. fe26

### FOR YOKOHAMA.

The Steamship "GADSHILL."

Captain RANTON, shortly expected from London and Singapore; will receive immediate despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents. Hongkong, February 26, 1877.

## Shipping.

### Sailing Vessels.

#### FOR LONDON.

(If sufficient Inducement offers.) The 3/3 L. 1. 1. Russian Ship "VANADIS."

WRELAND, Master, will load here and have quick despatch as above.

For Freight, Sugar or Measurement, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, January 6, 1877.

#### FOR NEW YORK.

The 4 1 American Ship "MONTEAR."

W. TAYLOR, Master, will load here, and will have quick despatch as



## Insurances.

**THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.  
AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.  
Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.  
NO CHANGE FOR POLICY FEES.  
JAS. B. COUGHTREY,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

**LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.**  
(FIRE AND LIFE.)  
CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Coals in Matched, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions. Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision. If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.  
For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to  
**ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.**  
Agents Hongkong & Canton.  
Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

**ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.**  
THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.  
**MELOERS & Co.,**  
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

**CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY. (LIMITED.)**  
NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premiums contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

**OLYMPIAN & Co.,**  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

**QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.**

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of £50,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

**NORTON & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

**NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.**  
Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.  
CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

**GILMAN & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

**THE LONDON ASSURANCE.**  
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER of His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—  
Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.  
Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.  
Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 on reasonable terms.

**HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,**  
Hongkong, July 26, 1872.

**MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.**

THE Undersigned Agents are in receipt of instructions from the Board of Directors authorizing them to issue Policies to the extent of £10,000 on any one first class risk, or to the extent of £15,000 on adjoining risks at current rates.

A Discount of 20% allowed.  
**HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,**  
Hongkong, January 5, 1873.

**MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.**

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Amoy, Shanghai, Hankow and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

**HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,**  
Hongkong, January 14, 1873.

## Mails.



**STEAM FOR**  
Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle, Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi, Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean Ports, Southampton and London;  
Bombay, Madras and Calcutta.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship ZAMBESI, Captain SYMONS, will leave this on THURSDAY, the 1st March, at Noon.  
For further Particulars, apply to  
A. MOLLER, Agent, Hongkong, February 19, 1877. mol

**Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.**

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL

and UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "OCEANIC" will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on SATURDAY, the 3rd March, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe. Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of 2nd March. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Return Passage Tickets available for 6 months are issued at a reduction of 20 per cent on regular rates.  
For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.  
G. B. EMORY, Agent.  
Hongkong, February 20, 1877. mo3

**U. S. MAIL LINE.**  
**PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.**

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamer ALASKA, will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 15th March, 1877, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading are issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, and to New York and Europe via OVERLAND RAILWAYS. A Steamer of the Mitsui Bishi S. S. Company will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea Ports, about same date, and make close connection at Yokohama.

At New York, Passengers have selection of various lines of Steamers to England, France and Germany.  
Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. 14th March. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 16, Praya Central.

**RUSSELL & Co., Agents.**  
Hongkong, February 20, 1877. mo15

## Intimations.

**AFONG,**  
PHOTOGRAPHER,

by appointment, to  
H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY,  
GOVERNOR OF HONGKONG;  
and to

H. J. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS OF RUSSIA,  
Wyndham Street, formerly ATHLETIC CLUB.

HAS on hand the Largest and Best collection of Views of China, Photographs Albums, Frames, Cases, &c., of assorted sizes, Photographs enlarged from C. D. V. size to life size and coloured in oil. A new apparatus for Photography has been received from England; he is prepared to take Photos. of Buildings and interiors at the shortest distance.

Hongkong, July 17, 1876.

## THE CHINESE MAIL.

TERMS OF ADVERTISING IN THE Chinese Mail.

TWO cents a character for the first 100 characters, and one cent a character beyond the first 100, for first insertion, and half price for repetitions during the first week. Subsequent weekly insertions will be charged only one half the amount of the first week's charge. Advertisements for half a year and longer will be allowed a deduction of 25 per cent on the total amount, and contracts for more favourable terms can be made.

Efforts have been made to establish Agents for circulating the Chinese Mail in all the ports in Japan, the Philippines, Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, Batavia, Manila, the Philippines, Australia, San Francisco, Peru and other places which Chinese frequent. When the list of Agents is completed, it will be published. Agents have been already established in most of the above places, and it is important that more than one agent has been appointed at each.

**OHUN AYIN,**  
Manager.  
Hongkong, February 20, 1876.

## Intimations.

**MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, PENANG.**

THE Municipal Commissioners of Penang are desirous of receiving DESIGNS for a TOWN-HALL. This Building is to be erected on the ground on the east side of the Esplanade situated between the latter and Duke Street, and its cost is not to exceed \$30,000.

The Commissioners offer a PREMIUM of \$400 for the best and most suitable Design with Specifications; and competitors have the option of forwarding Tenders for carrying out the work.

The Designs, accompanied with all documents, are to be sent to the Municipal Office Penang on or before the 1st of March next. For further information apply to the Secretary to the Municipal Commissioners at Penang.

**D. C. PRESGRAVE,**  
Municipal Secretary.  
Penang, Municipal Office,  
The 21st September, 1876.

**AY YON,**  
**SHIPS' COMPRADORE AND STEVEDORE.**

No. 37, Praya West.  
SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORES.  
Of the best quality and at the shortest notice.  
Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

## Now Ready.

**THE CHINA REVIEW,**  
Vol. V., No. 3.  
Annual Subscription, postage included, \$6.50.

CONTENTS.  
Essays on the Chinese Language, (Continued from page 88.)  
Establishment of American Trade at Canton.

Chinese Intercourse with the Countries of Central and Western Asia in the Fifteenth Century, Part I. (Continued from page 182.)  
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Short Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence.

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Validity of Chinese Marriages.  
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Ban Oke as a Manure.  
Elgin English.  
Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

**China Mail Office,**  
Hongkong, January 10, 1877.

**EXPOSITION UNIVERSELLE DE 1878.**

THE CONSUL FOR FRANCE has the honour to inform those Persons who wish to take part in the intended Exhibition, that they will find at the Consulate all Information and Particulars they may require.

For the Consul,  
**G. BOULOUZE, Vice-Consul.**  
Hongkong, December 18, 1876.

## HONG LISTS.

Circular, large sheet.

THE AMENDED HONG LIST in English and Chinese, containing the Names of all the most important Companies, Institutions and Mercantile Houses in the Colony.

Price, 25 cents each; or \$2.50 per dozen.  
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Hongkong, November 17, 1876.

## To-day's Advertisements.

**FOR NINGPO & SHANGHAI.**

The Steamship "AMOI,"  
G. H. DREWES, Master, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 26th inst., at 10 a.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**SIEMSEN & Co.**  
Hongkong, February 24, 1877. fe25

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

Feb. 24, Amoy, from Canton.  
Feb. 24, Pau Tah, from Canton.  
Feb. 24, Fernambuco, British steamer, 648, Wm. Hyde, Saigon Feb. 18, Rioe.—SIEMSEN & Co.  
Feb. 24, Chento, Chinese gunboat, 221, Robertson, Swatow Feb. 23.

## DEPARTURES.

Feb. 24, Amoy, for Shanghai.  
Feb. 24, Lydia, for Whampoa.  
Feb. 24, Hongkong, for Whampoa.  
Feb. 24, Saint Anne, for Whampoa.  
Feb. 24, Esmeralda, for Manila.  
Feb. 24, Stentor, for Singapore, &c.

## CLEARED.

A. T. Staiknecht, for Bangkok.  
Penedo, for Saigon.  
Amoy, for Shanghai.  
Pau Tah, for Shanghai.

## PASSENGERS.

DEPARTED.  
Per Tybro, for Yokohama, Messrs John Hagar, Glorie, and Dunsaville.  
Per Amoy, for Shanghai, Messrs R. Robins, Du Hamel, F. V. de Fosses, F. J. D'Almeida, Brown, A. Hagar, H. J. Morris, Stuart, Mackie, Buissonnet, de Mortier, Tamej, and Mursin.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Fernambuco reports: From Saigon to Paraosla fresh Northwesterly gales with high cross sea. From thence light N.E. monsoon and fine weather, when had strong N.E. winds and thick weather. The Chinese gunboat Chento reports: Light N. and N.E. winds and thick fog.

## CARGO.

Per British ship England's Glory, sailed 21st February, 1877:—For London, 10,772 bags Sugar, 3,400 boxes Cassia, 1,350 boxes and 180 casks Preserves, 544 bags Pepper, 120 pkgs. Hides, 65 pkgs. Rum, 270 pkgs. Cane, and 426 pkgs. Sundries.

**POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.**  
MAILS will close:—

For NINGPO & SHANGHAI.—  
Per AMOI, at 9 a.m. To-morrow, the 26th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOI AND TAMSUI.—  
Per LEONOR, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday, the 26th inst.

For COOKTOWN.—  
Per KILLARNEY, at 1.30 p.m., on Monday, the 26th inst. Mails will be also closed for E. Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand, 8 cent rates.

**MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.**—  
The English Contract Packet ZAMBESI will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 1st March.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—  
Wednesday, 28th February.—  
5 p.m., Money Order Office closes.  
6 p.m., Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 1st March.—  
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamp and Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.  
10 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 a.m., Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 18 cents extra to Postage till  
11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only, addressed to the United Kingdom via Brindisi or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage, till

11.50 a.m., when the Mail is finally closed.  
Hongkong, February 8, 1877. mol

**MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.**

The United States Mail Packet OCEANIC will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 3rd March, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, and London, which will be closed as follows:—

2 p.m. Registry of Letters ceases.  
2.30 p.m. Post-Office closes.  
2.30 p.m. Correspondence for Japan or the United States only may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 12 cents extra postage until

2.50 p.m. when the Mail is finally closed. Correspondence must be specially directed for this route, and if not fully prepaid will be sent by British Packet.

General Post Office.  
Hongkong, February 20, 1877. mo3

**MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.**—  
The French Contract Packet TIGRE, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 8th March, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Marseilles, to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—  
Wednesday, 7th March.—  
5 p.m. Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 8th March.—  
7 a.m., Post Office opens for sale of Stamp, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m., Registry of Letters ceases.  
11 a.m., Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

11.30 a.m., Letters (but Letters only, addressed to the United Kingdom via Brindisi or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until

11.50 a.m., when the Post Office Closes entirely.  
Hongkong, February 24, 1877. mol

## General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, February 27.—

Goods per Anadyr undelivered after Noon, subject to rent and landing charges.  
2 p.m.—Sale of Valuable Dramatic Library, &c., at Mr. J. M. Armstrong's Sale Room.  
4 p.m.—Sale of Horses and Carriages, &c., at Government House.

THURSDAY, March 1.—

Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

FRIDAY, March 2.—

Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co.  
Noon.—Sale of Household Furniture, at Dr. G. Dods' residence, College Gardens.  
3 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Chinese Insurance Co., Limited, at the Head Office, Hongkong.

SATURDAY, March 3.—

3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

SUNDAY, March 4.—

Noon.—Tenders for construction of boats close.

THURSDAY, March 15.—

3 p.m.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

## MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

## RELIGIOUS SERVICES:—

St. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.—The Right Reverend Bishop of Victoria; The Rev. R. Hayward Kidd, Colonial Chaplain. On the First and Third Sundays in each Month.—At 11 a.m., Morning Prayer, Sermon and Celebration of the Holy Communion. On the Second and Fourth Sundays in each Month (and Fifth, if any):—Morning Prayer, Litany and Sermon. On all Sundays.—At 4 p.m., Evening Prayer and Sermon. On all Holy Days.—At 8 a.m., celebration of the Holy Communion.

Military Service.—Rev. W. H. Baynes M.A.—At 8 a.m., Morning Prayer and Litany alternately, Sermon and Celebration of Holy Communion every Sunday.

Union Church.—Minister, Rev. James Lamm. Morning Service, at 11 a.m. Afternoon, 6 p.m.

St. PETER'S SPANISH CHURCH.—Rev. W. H. Baynes, M.A. Services at 5 p.m. every Sunday. All seats free. Morning Prayer and Communion on the First Sunday in each month at 11 a.m.

St. PAUL'S COLLEGE CHAPEL.—On Wednesdays at 6 p.m., Evening Prayer (shortened form), and exposition of Scripture.

St. STEPHEN'S MISSION CHURCH.—Rev. A. B. Hutcheson, and Rev. Lo Sam Yuen. (All Services in Chinese.) Morning Prayer—Litany, Ante-Communion, and Sermon, at 11 a.m. Bible Class, at 3 p.m. Preschool, at 6.30 p.m. Holy Communion, 1st Sunday in Chinese month.

BERLIN FOUNDLING HOUSE.—Services in the German language, by Pastor E. Kitzke, every Sunday at half-past ten a.m., in the Chapel of the Berlin Foundling House, West Point.

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10 a.m.—Amoy leaves for Ningpo and Shanghai.

## MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

Shipping.  
Noon.—Leonor leaves for Coast Forts.

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## THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, FEB. 24, 1877.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The San Francisco and City of Tokio arrived at Shanghai on the 23rd (yesterday).

The Captain, Chief Mate and three seamen of the British barque Letty Gales, from Amoy to London, were brought here to-day by a junk. It appears that the Letty Gales struck on the Frates Shoal at 2 o'clock on the morning of the 11th instant; there was a stiff breeze blowing at the time, with a very heavy sea. Two able seamen and two of the apprentices were drowned alongside the vessel before the boat they were in could be got clear away, and a boat containing four men is still missing, and a boy was lost while attempting to get in a raft. This makes nine souls in all. As there is a possibility of the missing boat being still afloat, Captains of vessels running to the Southward are requested to keep a good

look out. The crew of the junk behaved very well to the shipwrecked men, who are now at the Sailor's Home.

The next entertainment will take place at the Temperance Hall on Monday evening, the 26th, when the following programme will be produced:—

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Song—"A cheer for the workers."  
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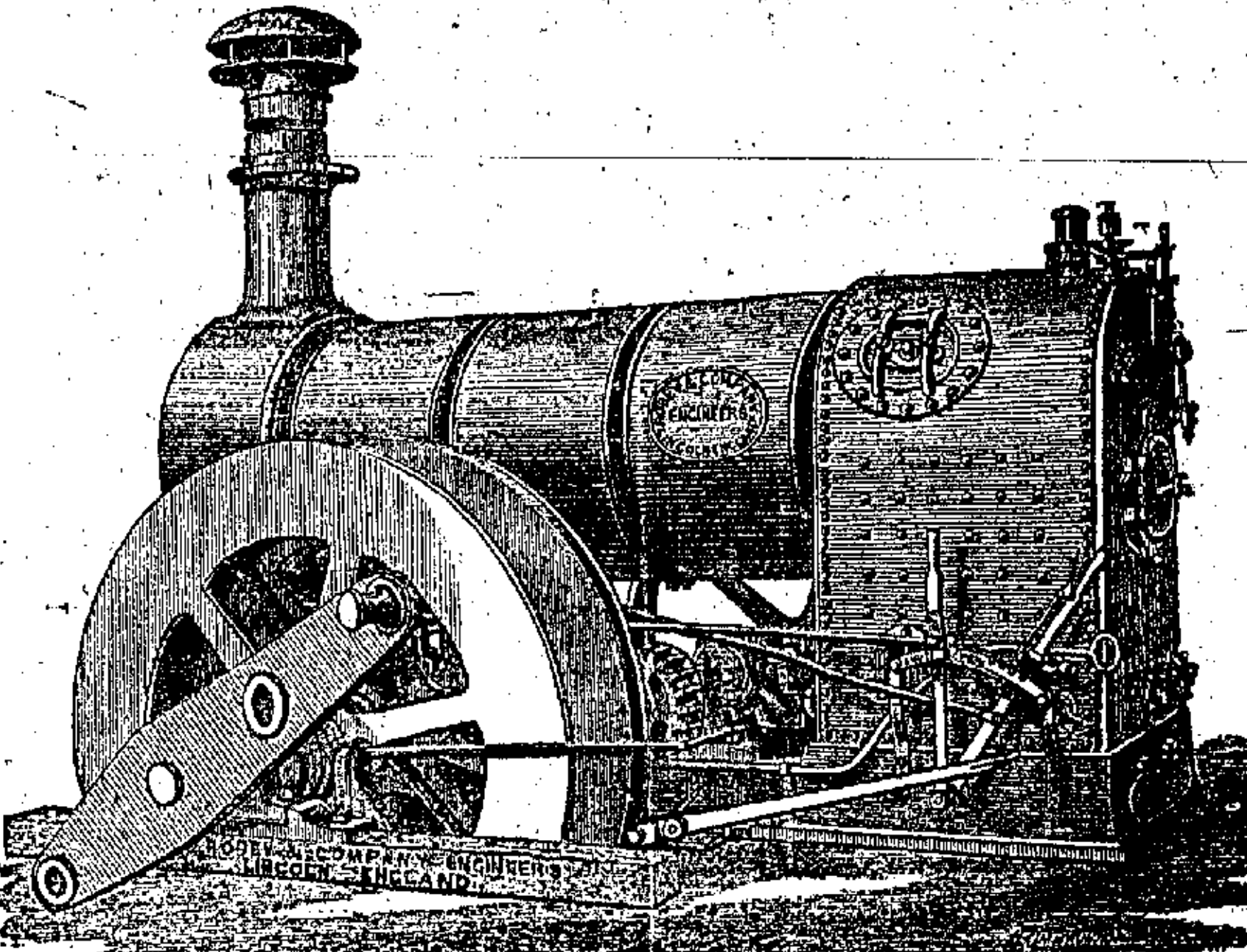
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REGISTRATION, 8 cents, except Straits, Batavia, India, Aden, Egypt (Br.), Australia, &c., 12; Saigon, Pondicherry, Egypt (Fr.), double postage.

NEWSPAPERS (To all the above places) 2 cents. BOOKS AND PATTERNS, 6 cents, except W. Africa, 8. To French Offices cannot be paid.

Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Zanzibar, &c., 1 oz., 2 cents; 2 oz., 4 cents; Every 4 oz., 8 cents.

## The United Kingdom.

Superscription.	Letters	Registration	Newspapers	Books & Patterns.
via	1 oz 2 oz Every 4 oz.			
Brindisi (Br.)	28	4	8	12
Marseilles (Fr.)	24	4	8	12
Southampton (Br.)	24	4	8	12
By Priv. Steamer	12	4	8	12
via Brindisi	24	4	8	12

## Registration Fee, 8 cents.

Continent, &c. of	Letters	Registration	Newspapers	Books & Patterns.
Europe.				
Austria, Germany, Hungary, (Br.) via Brindisi, 18	12	4	10	
(Fr.) via Trieste, 22	12	4	10	
(Fr.) via Marseilles, 36	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Belgium, Denmark, Faroe Is., Heligoland, Holland, Iceland, Roumania, Servia, Switzerland, (Br.) via Brindisi, 18	12	4	10	
(Fr.) via Trieste, 22	12	4	10	
(Fr.) via Marseilles, 36	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
France and Algeria, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Italy, (Br.) 12, (Fr.) 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Spain, (Br.) via Brindisi, 18	12	4	10	
(Fr.) via Trieste, 22	12	4	10	
(Fr.) via Marseilles, 36	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Portugal & Azores, (Br.) via Brindisi, 18	12	4	10	
(Fr.) via Trieste, 22	12	4	10	
(Fr.) via Marseilles, 36	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Sweden, Norway, (Br.) via Brindisi, 18	12	4	10	
(Fr.) via Trieste, 22	12	4	10	
(Fr.) via Marseilles, 36	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Turkey, (Br.) via Brindisi, 18	12	4	10	
(Fr.) via Trieste, 22	12	4	10	
(Fr.) via Marseilles, 36	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
British Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Austrian Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
French Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
German Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Italian Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Spanish Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Swiss Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Dutch Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Portuguese Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Belgian Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Danish Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Prussian Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Russian Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Sardinian Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Sicilian Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Tuscan Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Venetian Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Neapolitan Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Piedmontese Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Sardegna Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Sardinian Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Sicilian Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Tuscan Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
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Piedmontese Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	
Sardegna Office, 24	D.P.	C.P.	C.P.	

W. Africa, Islands of the Atlantic, (except St. Helena and Ascension), North, Central, South America, and Hawaii.

Falkland Islands, Lagos, Gold Coast, Liberia, Sierra Leone, Gambia, Cape Verde Islands, Azores, Bermudas:—

Letters	Registration	Newspapers	Books & Patterns.
38	84	16	6
16	6	6	12

United States (via Europe), Canary and Madeira Islands, Canada, Vancouver's Island, Prince Edward's Island, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, and Nova Scotia:—

Letters	Registration	Newspapers	Books & Patterns.
32	28	16	6
16	16	6	12

W. Indies, Buenos Ayres, Costa Rica, Curacao, Guadalupe, Guatemala, Grey Town, Hayti, Honduras, La Guayra, Mexico, Monte Video, New Granada, Panama, Paraguay, Porto Rico, Surinam, Uruguay, and Venezuela:—

Letters	Registration	Newspapers	Books & Patterns.
50	48	16	6
16	16	6	12

Bolivia, Chili, Ecuador, and Peru:—

Letters	Registration	Newspapers	Books & Patterns.
62	68	16	6
16	16	6	12

Brasilia:—

Letters	Registration	Newspapers	Books & Patterns.
48	44	16	6
16	16	6	12

Honolulu, and Hawaii:—

Letters	Registration	Newspapers	Books & Patterns.
84	80	16	6
16	16	6	12

Any publication fulfilling the conditions hereafter named can pass as a newspaper.

The conditions are as follows:—

1st. The publication must consist wholly or in great part of political or other news, or of articles relating thereto, or to other current topics, with or without advertisements.

2nd. It must be published in numbers at intervals of not more than 31 days, and must be printed on a sheet or sheets unattached.

3rd. The full title and date of publication must be printed at the top of the first page, and the whole or part of the title and the date of publication at the top of every subsequent page; and this regulation applies to Tables of Contents and Indexes.

4th. A supplement must consist wholly or in great part of matter like that of a newspaper, or of advertisements, printed on a sheet or sheets, or a piece or pieces of paper, unattached, or wholly or in part of engravings, prints, or lithographs illustrating articles in the newspaper. The supplement must in every case be published with the newspaper, and must have the title and date of publication of the newspaper printed at the top of every page; or, if it consists of engravings, prints, or lithographs, at the top of every sheet or side.

A packet containing two or more newspapers is not chargeable with a higher rate of postage than would be chargeable on a book packet of the same weight.

A newspaper posted unpaid, or a packet of newspapers posted either unpaid or insufficiently paid, is treated as an unpaid or insufficiently paid book packet of the same weight.

The postage must be prepaid either by an adhesive stamp, or by the use of a stamped wrapper.

No newspaper can now be sent through the post a second time for the original postage. For each transmission a fresh postage is required.

Every newspaper must be posted either without a cover (in which case it must not be fastened, whether by means of gum, wafer, sealing wax, postage stamp, or otherwise) or in a cover entirely open at both ends, so as to admit of easy removal for examination. If this rule be infringed the newspaper is treated as a letter.

Every newspaper must be so folded, as to admit of the title being readily inspected.

A newspaper or packet of newspapers which contains any enclosure except supplements is charged as a letter, unless the enclosure be such as might be sent at the book rate of postage, and the entire packet be sufficiently prepaid as a book packet, in which case it is allowed to pass.

A newspaper which has any letter, or any communication of the nature of a letter, written in it or upon its cover, charged as an unpaid or insufficiently paid letter.

No packet of newspapers may be above 5 lbs. in weight, nor above two feet in length, one foot in width, nor one in depth.

A book-packet may contain any number of separate books or other publications (including printed or lithographed letters), photographs (when not on glass or in cases containing glass, or any like substance), drawings, prints, or maps, and any quantity of paper, or any other substance in ordinary use for writing or printing upon; and the books or other publications, prints, maps, &c., may be either printed, written, engraved, lithographed, or plain, or any mixture of these. Further, all legitimate binding, mounting, or covering of a book, &c., or of a portion thereof, is allowed, whether such binding, &c., be loose or attached; as also rollers in the case of prints or maps, markers (whether of paper or otherwise) in the case of books, pens or pencils in the case of pocket-books, &c., and, in short, whatever is necessary for the safe transmission of such articles, or for the appearance thereof; but the binding, rollers, &c., must not be sent as a separate packet.

Originals, &c., letters which are intended for transmission in identical terms to several persons, and the whole or the greater part of which is printed, engraved, or lithographed, may also be sent by book post.

But a book-packet may not contain any

letter, or communication of the nature of a letter (whether separate or otherwise), unless it be a circular-letter or be wholly printed, nor any enclosure sealed or in any way closed against inspection; nor any other enclosure not allowed by Rule 3. If this rule be infringed, the entire packet is charged as a letter.

A book-packet may be posted either without a cover (in which case it must not be fastened, whether by means of gum, wafer, sealing wax, postage stamp, or otherwise), or in a cover entirely open at both ends, so as to admit of the contents being easily withdrawn for examination; otherwise it is treated as a letter. For the greater security of the contents, however, it may be tied at the ends with string; Postmasters being authorised to cut the string in such cases, although if they do so they must again tie up the packet.

No book-packet may be above 5 lbs. in weight, nor above 24 inches in length, 12 inches in width, or 12 inches in depth, unless it be sent to or from one of the Government offices.

When containing a great and unusual influx of letters, books, &c., the transmission or delivery of the letters would be delayed if the whole mail were dealt with without distinction, book-packets may be kept back till the next despatch or delivery.

The limit of size for a book-packet addressed to any place abroad is 24 inches in length and 12 inches in width or depth.

Exceptions.—No packet for Algeria, Azores, Cape de Verde Islands, France, Madeira, or Portugal, or for Egypt, Syria, or Turkey, when sent by French Packet, must be above 18 inches in length, width, or depth.

PATTERNS.—They must not be of intrinsic value. This rule excludes all articles of a saleable nature, and indeed whatever may have a value of its own, apart from its mere use as a pattern; and the quantity of any material sent ostensibly as a pattern must not be so great that it can fairly be considered as having on this ground an intrinsic value.

Pattern and Sample Post to colonies and foreign countries, is restricted, to bona fide trade patterns or samples of merchandise. Goods sent for sale, or in execution of an order (however small the quantity may be), or any articles sent by one private individual to another, which are not actual patterns or samples, are not admissible.

Patterns or samples, when practicable, must be sent in covers open at the ends, and in such a manner as to be easy of examination. But samples of seeds, drugs, and such like articles, which cannot be sent in covers of this kind, but such articles only—may be posted enclosed in boxes, or bags of linen, or of other material, fastened in such a manner that they may be readily opened; or, in the case of seeds, &c., for the United States of America, Holland, and its possessions, Belgium, Denmark, Greece, Portugal, and its possessions, and Switzerland, the bags entirely closed, provided such closed bags are transparent, so as to enable the Officers of the Post Office readily to satisfy themselves as to the nature of the contents.

There must be no writing or printing upon or in any packet, except the address of the person for whom it is intended, the address of the sender, a trade mark or number, and the price of the articles.

Samples of intrinsic value must not be sent to any foreign country except United States; and in the case of France samples of either down, raw or thread silk, woolen or goats' hair thread, vanilla, saffron, carmine, or indigo, are considered to fall under this rule if they weigh more than three ounces; and up to this weight raw and spun silk, as well as coloured and twisted silk, may be sent to Germany.

The rule which forbids the transmission through the Post of any article likely to injure the contents of the Mail Bags or Boxes, or the person of any Officer of the Post Office, is, of course, applicable to the Pattern Post; and a packet containing anything of the kind will be stopped, and not sent to its destination. Articles such as the following have been occasionally posted as Patterns, and have been detained as unfit for the Post, viz.: Metal boxes, porcelain and China, fruit, vegetables, bunches of flowers, cuttings of plants, spurs, knives, scissors, needles, pins, pieces of machinery, sharp pointed instruments, samples of bottles, samples of ore, samples in glass bottles, pieces of glass, acids of various kinds, curry combs, copper and steel engraving plates, and confectionery of all kinds.

Such articles as scissors, knives, razors, forks, steel pens, keys, watch machinery, metal tubing, pieces of metal or ore, provided that they be packed and guarded in protection to the contents of the mail bag, and to the Officers of the Post Office, while at the same time they may be easily examined, may be sent as samples to the following countries, but to these alone, viz., the Azores, Belgium, Cape de Verde Islands, Denmark, Egypt, Germany, Holland, Madeira, Moldavia, Norway, Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, United States, Wallachia, and the British Colonies. Indigo cannot be sent to any place abroad.

A packet of patterns or samples sent to the Azores, Cape de Verde Islands, France, Madeira, Portugal, or by French Packet, to Turkey, Syria, or Egypt, must not exceed 18 inches in length, width, or depth; a packet to any other place abroad must not exceed 24 inches in length or 12 inches in width or depth.

To provide the greatest possible facilities for posting Correspondence for Europe, &c., up to the latest moment before the departure of the French Packets, arrangements have been made for receiving at the Post Office late letters for Singapore, Saigon, and the United Kingdom only from 11.15 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. Each letter must bear a late fee of 18 cents extra postage.

The above arrangement is intended to meet occasional emergencies, and not for the regular posting of extensive correspondence. Should it be found, therefore, that large and unmanageable numbers of letters are habitually thrown upon the Department at the last moment, a heavier late fee will be imposed.

A similar supplementary Mail will be made up for Shanghai by the English and French Contract Steamers, the late letters being received from 10 minutes after, up to half an hour after the time of closing. The late fee will also be 18 cents.

Arrangements have been made to sell American Stamps at this Office, for the

convenience of those who may wish to post by the Pacific Route to Canada, the West Indies, and other places named below.

For the present no large quantities of these Stamps can be supplied, nor is it undertaken that every denomination can be kept in hand.

REVISED TABLE OF CHARGES ON CORRESPONDENCE FORWARDED BY THE ABOVE PACKETS TO CANADA, THE WEST INDIES, SOUTH AMERICA, &c.

Letters, &c., can be posted for Canada, the West Indies, and other places named below, if sufficient American Stamps are added to prepay them from San Francisco to destination. American Stamps are sold at this Office.

The charge for Registry is 8 cents in Hongkong Stamps, and 10 cents in U. S. Stamps to those places only the names of which are printed in Italics. To all the other places named correspondence cannot be registered through, but only to San Francisco (6 cents).

The following are the charges on Correspondence thus sent:—

Letters, per half ounce.	Hongkong U. S. cents.
Canada, British Columbia, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward's Island, Vancouver's Island, Bahamas, Nassau, New Providence, &c.	8 3
Aspinwall, Bermuda, Cuba, Pinar, Grenland, Jamaica, Panama, &c.	8 5
Hawaii, Newfoundland, &c.	8 6
Guatemala, Maricao, &c.	8 10
Mexico, Salvador, Tahiti, &c.	8 10
Belize, Bogota, Carthagena, Costa Rica, Curacao, Greytown, Guayana, Honduras, Martinique, New Granada, Nicaragua, Santa Martha, Turk's Island, Venezuela, &c.	8 18
Holivia, Chile, Ecuador, Peru, &c.	8 17
Brasilia, &c.	8 21
Argentine Confederation, Buenos Ayres, Paraguay, Uruguay, &c.	8 27

Books and Papers, Circulars &c., for Canada, per 1 oz., 2 1

Newspapers for all other places (not over 4 oz.) each Paper, 2 4

Books &c., for all other places, per 4 oz., 6 10

Senders of correspondence by the above route are requested to see that it is fully prepaid in both kinds of Stamps, otherwise it cannot be forwarded.

Miscellaneous Notices.

The Post Office is, by law, responsible for any loss or inconvenience which may arise from the non-delivery, mis-delivery, or mis-direction of any letter, book, or other postal packet (even if the packet be registered); nor is the Post Office responsible for any injury which a packet may sustain during its transmission.

To guard against such injury all postal packets which are likely to suffer from stamping or from great pressure should be placed in strong covers; and even with this precaution no fragile article should be sent through the Post. It should be remembered that every packet has to be handled several times; that it is exposed to considerable pressure and friction in the mail bag; and that, whenever the bag has in the course of the transmission to be transferred by means of the railway apparatus, the risk of injury is much increased.

No information can be given respecting letters which pass through a Post Office except to the persons to whom they are addressed; and in no way is any official information of a private character allowed to be made public. A Postmaster may, however, give an address if he has no reason to believe that the person whose address it is would disapprove of his doing so.

Postmasters are not allowed to return any letter or other packet to the writer or sender, or to any one else, or to delay forwarding it to its destination according to the address, even though a request to such effect be written thereon.

Postmasters are not bound to give change, nor are they authorised to demand change; and when money is paid at a Post Office, whether as change or otherwise, no question as to its right amount, goodness, or weight can be entertained after it has been removed from the counter.

Postmasters are not bound to weigh any letters or other packets for the public, but they may do so if their duty be not thereby impeded.

The practice of sealing letters passing to and from the East and West Indies, and other countries with hot climates, with wax (except such as is specially prepared), is attended with much inconvenience, and frequently with serious injury, not only to the letters, but to the health of the other letters in the mail, from the heating of the wax and the adhesion of the letters to each other. The public are therefore recommended, in all such cases, to use either wafers or gum, and to advise their correspondents in the countries referred to, to do the same.

The registration of a packet makes its transmission much more secure, inasmuch as, under ordinary circumstances, a registered packet can be traced through its whole course; and thus the loss of a registered packet is a very rare occurrence. Nevertheless, large sums of money or other articles of great value should not be sent through the post, even if the packet be registered; as the machinery of this Department is not arranged with a view to such transmission.

By law, the Post Office is not responsible for the safe delivery of registered packets, although any officer who may neglect his duty on this point will be held to strict account. Sent in unregistered letters, valuable articles are exposed to risk, and offer a temptation which ought not to be created; and the Department cannot in any way undertake the safe conveyance of such packets. All inland or colonial letters, therefore, which contain coin, and all inland letters which contain watches or jewellery, even though they be posted without registration, are treated as registered, and are charged with a double rate of postage, in addition to the ordinary postage; and any such letters which cannot be registered in time to be forwarded by the Mail for which they are posted are detained for the next despatch. Even if the letter do not contain any article of intrinsic value, it should, if it be very important, be registered.

Most countries to which Hongkong forwards Correspondence having joined the

General Postal Union or being probably about to do so, it is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed.

1. No Letter or Packet, whether to be registered or unregistered, can be received for Postage if it contains gold or silver money, jewels, precious articles, or anything that, as a general rule, is liable to Customs duties.

2. This Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns of durable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value.

3. The limits of weight allowed are as follows:—  
Books and Papers to British Offices, 5 lbs.; to the Continent, &c., 2 lbs.  
Patterns to British Offices, 5 lbs. if without intrinsic value; to the Continent, &c., 8 oz.

4. The following articles cannot be sent by Post at all: Glass, Liquids, Gunpowder, Matches, Candles, Soap, Indigo, Dye-stuffs, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails, or offensive or injurious to persons dealing with them.

PARCELS.—The public is reminded that, in China and Japan, there is no such thing as Parcel Post. Much trouble and disappointment is caused by persistent attempts to send small valuable articles through the Post. Fans, Curios, Articles of Dress, Fancy Work, and similar presents are continually being refused, the senders having often spent more in Postage than would have paid the freight by a carrier. No refund can be made on such parcels of the value of Stamps obliterated before the nature of the contents was discovered.

PATTERNS.—Some difficulty is experienced in obtaining a general understanding of what is a Pattern. It is a bona fide sample of goods which the sender has for sale, or of goods which he wishes to order. It is to consist of the smallest possible quantity compatible with showing what the goods are, and must have no intrinsic value.

To provide means of remitting small sums of money to or from this Colony and between the Ports of China and Japan, the Postmasters and Agents of this Office will in future be allowed (but not required) to purchase Hongkong Postage Stamps from foreign residents.

Between Hongkong and Shanghai, or Hongkong and Yokohama, however, in either direction, Money-Orders must be used.

The Stamps tendered for sale must not exceed \$25 in value, must be perfectly clean, in good condition, and in strips of at least two, as no separate Stamps will be purchased. They must be presented personally or accompanied by a note.

The Postmaster or Agent may postpone purchasing if his public funds in hand are not sufficient, and he will refuse to purchase in any case which appears doubtful or suspicious. He is allowed to charge a Commission of one per cent on all Stamps purchased.

Letters containing Stamps should be Registered, and the Stamps should be secured from observation.

Correspondence can be forwarded in closed Mails to the United Kingdom via San Francisco at the following rates:—  
Letters, 12 cents per 1/2 oz.  
Registration, 8 " each.  
Newspapers, 2 " each.  
Books and Patterns, 1 oz., 2 " each.  
" 2 oz., 4 " each.  
" every 4 oz., 8 "

The Mails close at 2.30 p.m., usually on the 1st and 15th of each month.  
Registry cannot be effected after 2 p.m.  
The average time of transit to London by this route is 50 days. The correspondence must be specially addressed Via San Francisco. If insufficiently paid it will



## MRS. BROWN IN JAPAN.

To the Editor of the *Japan Weekly Mail*.  
Grand Hotel, 8th February, 1877.

Mrs. Brown presents her compliments to the Editor of the *Male*, and will feel much obliged if you will read my letter attentively, as it is a stranger in a foreign land, though no stranger to you. Mr. Hildor as well I know, being a gentleman, as is all your other readers, and cannot be ignorant of me as I am aware some people call a "gossip old thing," which they say is a gossip, as the saying is, for my gossip is not a gossip, but a true story, which is the gossip place, and which you must know me, it is not a business of any of your good ladies, as is not as bad as men, why I come to this drowsy country, as left Brown in San Francisco, all through Mrs. Elkins second floor lodger's husband's sister, as blood is thicker than water as the saying is, and married a Japanese Dammyo as lodged next door, and was a learner in the English language with a bad cough, as gave her two beautiful chrysanthemum drops, as white as diamonds and twice as valuable, which Dammyo is his title and his nature, as have often heard her father supply the epitaph, when he didn't come back, being called away by the Micoon to take the place of Prime Minister, and thinks he must have sent "I'll be in ten thousand pieces, as I fear all the Dammyos is obligated to do before they die, as shows that they never do anything disgraceful, and get large pensions, and so determined to come and look for me, as is too young to go tramping about the world by herself and so left Brown in San Francisco to look after his shares, as is a old school fellow of O'Brien's as "as put me up to a thing or two, and come on 'ear to look for 'er husband, as is likely to 'ave bin deceived by an 'eathen.

So I says to 'er "My dear, 'owever are you to set about findin' this 'usband of yours" as we found were not Prime Minister, through the name being different.  
"Oh! Mrs. Brown," she says, "I think we'd better go and call on the Micoon."  
So I made inquiry, but found that he 'ad gone to C. en. a Ralerode, with a lovely carriage made of gold and amber, decorated with chrysanthemums, which is a beautiful flower as Mrs. Bewley and I once went to see in the Temple Gardens, though a foggy day, and the white ones very smutty with the blacks which was dreadful.

So I says, "My dear, I think we ought to 'adviser," and I asked the clerk what was the best paper for an abandoned female who wanted to find her lost husband."  
"Say he," I should think the *Male* as 'as got a new editor, as is known to be a tender-hearted gentleman and very fond of the ladies, and will give you every information."

Says I, "I'll put an advertisement in to-morrow mornin'."  
"It's too late to-night," he says, "'cos the office is shut, but you can go to 'ouse on the 'ill."

"Certainly," says I, "which is the way?"  
"You better take a ginricky," says he.

"Thank you young man," says I, "I prefer mine with peppermint, which though now and then, I 'ave found a small drop soothing, when much put about but never exceeding, though once overcome, when forgetful. But I found he meant a preambulator, which am not a infant in harnes, and can't abide to turn my fellow creatures into beasts of burden, though having once or twice ridden on a donkey on Amsterdam East, still very different when puttin' them in the shafts, and not what I call pleasin' to the heyo or wallo to the hainimals."

So says I, "No thank you, I'd rather walk."

"Then I'll send a boy with you," he says quite polite. But lor! When I got out on the Bung, as you call the place opposite the sea, it blew that strong, that the lantern couldn't keep alight, and the boy had only his night gown on, that showed his legs, that I couldn't bear to take him out in the cold.

So I says, "Take me over the bridge and show me the road and run back to bed, for you'll catch your death as sure as if you was a Christian."

So he takes me over the bridge and he says, "Hundred 'leven, topside, all right," and then he makes a most polite bow and says "oyassume," which means I am told "take it easy," as is their custom to do at the hotel.

Well, it was pitch dark, but the road seemed straight and good, and on I go. I was gettin' on very well, though slightly bowed, as am not so young as I was, and rather fleshy, as was said to me by an American lady on the steamer, though true, but wouldn't 'strange to English ears. I was walkin' on, just wonderin' whether I could n't find a public 'ouse, where I could get three pennorth, with a little of water and just a taste of peppermint, as is very good for the wind, though eatin' too many prawns, and layin' a little 'eavy on the stomach, as I am very partial to, and larger than I ever see before, though the oysters is not so good as natives, but too dear in London, when I brought both my shins against a plank of wood, and fell all asprawl on a 'eap of gravel.

Well, I wondered where I'd got to, and was 'art stunned, and when I came to, I found I'd tumbled over a box full of gravel, which 'ad been put in the middle of the road, for some purpose or other that I did not care about, but 'igly dangerous and inconvenient, and a disgrace to a Christian community, let alone an 'eathen, without a lantern to show the danger.

I found I 'ad barked both shins pretty badly, beside bruising my knees and sprainin' my thumb, and set myself down to derange my dress and rub my legs, when a policeman in minnetine come up, and takes off his 'at quite polite and says, "you're a shaz?" Of course I am Sir," says I, rather sharp, for my shins was paining me dreadful. "Of course I am, and I've done nothing to make me ashamed of my shins."

"Oh!" says he "you're a shaz, alright!" and off he walks. I wonder what he'd done if I 'ad been an he?

Well there I sat, quite confused like, afraid to move for fear of tumblin' over somethin' else, and not knowin' what to do, as Egypt, and not knowin' what to do, when a gentleman come up in a white lookin' shaz, and stopp when he see me.

"What is the matter, Madam?" says he, in a most pleasant voice, which sounded a little like Mike Maloney that married Brown's second cousin Betsy. "What is the matter, Madam? Can I be of any assistance?"

I told him I'd tumbled over somethin' or other and couldn't get back to the 'otel. He jumps out of 'is trap, and says with the greatest politeness, "Let me drive you back, my dear Madam. I see that 'ave the honour to address the celebrated

Mrs. Brown; I little thought that our introduction would be under such circumstances. It is indeed shameful that such things should be permitted by our Municipal Directorship" (I don't know what he meant, as I 'ave not yet learned any Japanese, but it must be something that don't work as it ought to do). "The box that you 'ave just fallen over is only one of many that are filled with gravel, and placed for the repairin' of the roads. Still I must not complain against them, as I 'ave now six patients as is sufferin' from tumblers of such nature as your own, and from carriages being upset by drivin' against 'em in the dark. Patten aside 'owever personal benefit, I think it 'igh time that complaint should be lodged with the proper authorities."—If the Dammyo should come enquirin' after Jamimah Hann, please send 'im down to me, as can't write any more, bein' obligated to keep my legs in a chair with the cramp.

Your 'umble Servant,  
MARTHA BROWN.

## THE DEFENCE OF CONSTANTINOPLE.

Ex-Colonel Valentine Baker, who has accepted a commission in the Turkish army, has drawn up the subjoined scheme for fortifying Constantinople.—"Constantinople and its approaches being the great prize which is so much coveted, it naturally follows that if this important position could be made so secure that a Russian occupation would be impossible, a great political as well as military problem would have been solved. The superiority of the Turkish fleet and the works of defence erected in the Bosphorus and Dardanelles have prevented the possibility of a Muscovite capture of Constantinople by a sea attack. It therefore only becomes necessary so to strengthen the land approaches as to make Constantinople practically impregnable. And this could easily be accomplished. The Bosphorus can only be approached from the north by a narrow strip of land in some places only 23 miles wide. If a line of works were erected across this strip, with its right resting on the sea of Marmora, Constantinople would be secure. An admirable position exists which is so aided by natural obstacles as to reduce the front to be defended to between 17 and 18 miles. This line extends from Lake Derkos on the right, to the backwater of Buyuk Chekmege on the left. At Buyuk Chekmege there is a harbor, and the backwater a mile and a quarter wide—guards for five miles the left of the position. The position then follows a range of hills commanding a broad and open plain, and offering every military advantage for purposes of defence, and eventually rests on Lake Derkos. Between Lake Derkos and the Black Sea the only approach lies by a narrow sandbank, easily commanded by a single work near the village of Derkos. The railway from Constantinople runs through the left centre of the position, and there is sea communication on both flanks. There is abundant supply of water everywhere, and the country is peculiarly adapted for the encampment of troops. The proposed line of defence could easily be constructed by encamping troops along the position which would throw up the necessary works. Since the introduction of breech-loading arms it has been proved that a front attack upon a strong line of well defended works is practically impossible. In the proposed line both flanks would be secure, and communications would be open, and with unlimited facility of supply. Thus a hostile approach to the Bosphorus from the north by land would be rendered impossible. It is evident that the narrow neck of land which connects the Chersonese with Roumelia, and which is only between three and four miles in width, and with anchorage close in shore for ships of war on both flanks, offers such facilities for the defence of the approaches to the Dardanelles from the north that this position may be considered as unassailable. But can Constantinople be reached by a Russian army acting from the Caucasus and marching through Asia Minor? From the Caucasus to Constantinople by road is upwards of 900 miles. There are no roads for artillery, and the country offers every difficulty relative to the maintenance of supplies. The flank and rear of an army so advancing would be exposed to attack by any Power in command of the Black Sea. Finally, the approach to Constantinople is so by a narrow neck of land only about 38 miles in width, and there would be ample time to erect a line of works extending from the 'ault of land to the Black Sea and so blocking an advance from Asia Minor. Thus the line of works proposed, by making the position of Constantinople practically impregnable to a Russian attack, would settle in a great degree that Eastern question which now offers such serious difficulties and dangers."

## HONGKONG RACES, 1877.

ALTHOUGH the weather was not quite so pleasant to-day as yesterday, yet it really furnished little cause for complaint. It drizzled slightly once or twice during the afternoon, and the people had to go home under similar circumstances, but beyond raising disagreeable anticipations of what might follow in the shape of a down-pour, the little rain that fell could scarcely be regarded as a drawback to the success of the meeting. There was a considerable change of temperature, the weather being much colder during the latter part of the day. The attendance was probably about as large as that of yesterday, His Excellency Sir Arthur Kennedy, Miss Kennedy and Miss Banks being again among the company assembled at the Grand Stand. At the conclusion of the race for the Ladies' Purse, Mr. Nickells, the rider of the winning horse, *Skyhawk*, was presented with the prize by Miss McNair. The ceremony, which as usual took place on the Grand Stand, was a very brief one, a few words of congratulation being addressed by the lady to Mr. Nickells, and suitably acknowledged by him. The "Native Scramble" for China ponies was postponed until Monday, for which day several other races have been arranged.

## THIRD DAY.

Saturday, 24th February, 1877.  
The Hongkong Jockey Club, for the first time, have been arranged.

China Ponies, the *bona fide* Property of Hongkong and Canton Residents of not less than six months immediately previous to date of Entry. Weight for inches. Entrance \$5. To be won two years consecutively by a Pony or Ponies, the *bona fide* Property of the same Owner. Two Miles.

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| 1. Mr. Monat's    | b. c. p. Sully       |
| 2. Do.            | ch. c. p. The Doctor |
| 3. Mr. Grammont's | g. c. p. Steamboat   |
| 4. Mr. Paul's     | blk. c. p. Kreutzer  |
| 5. Do.            | w. c. p. Cui Bono    |
| 6. Do.            | br. c. p. Wanderer   |
| 7. Do.            | spd. c. p. Deception |

Four horses came to the post, namely, Mr. Monat's *Sully* and *The Doctor*, and Mr. Paul's *Wanderer* and *Deception*. The horses coming from only two stables rendered it somewhat difficult to identify them at a distance. A pretty fair start was effected, *Deception* leading, the others following in a body. On the Judge's box being passed the first time *Deception* still had the lead, with *Wanderer* second. Between the Bridge and the Rock *Wanderer* came up to the leader, but soon fell back again to the second place. On getting round to the same spot again, however, *Deception* began to lose ground rapidly, and gave way to all three of the other horses, taking the last place. A split-second race then ensued between the three horses, who came up the Straight nearly in a row. *Sully* came in about half a length ahead of the other two, the nose of the second horse showing just in front of *The Doctor*. Time, 4ms. 47secs.

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| <i>Sully</i> (Dodd)        | 1 |
| <i>Wanderer</i> (Nickells) | 2 |
| <i>The Doctor</i> (Aubert) | 3 |

2.—THE CENTRAL CUP, value 100 Guineas, presented by the Consul of Hongkong, for the subscription Horses only. Weight for age: 4 years old, 10st.; 5 years, 10st. 3 lbs.; 6 years and aged, 10st. 8 lbs. Winners of one race at this Meeting, 5 lbs. extra; of two races, 10 lbs. extra; of three races, 20 lbs. extra. Previous non-starters excluded. Entrance \$10, to go to the Second Horse. One Mile.

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| 1. Mr. Stevens's    | br. aus. g. The Babe   |
| 2. Dr. Gully's      | ch. aus. g. Warlock    |
| 3. Mr. Legor's      | ch. aus. g. Heperus    |
| 4. Mr. Ernest's     | blk. aus. g. Jim Crow  |
| 5. Mr. Bold's       | r. aus. g. Rapid Rhone |
| 6. Mr. Charles's    | b. aus. g. Boomerang   |
| 7. Mr. Pyle's       | ch. aus. g. Tartar     |
| 8. Mr. Andre's      | b. aus. g. Newington   |
| 9. The Fairchild's  | b. aus. g. Claymore    |
| 10. Mr. Pyle's      | b. aus. m. Cassandra   |
| 11. Mr. Pyle's      | b. aus. m. Tip         |
| 12. Mr. Grammont's  | br. aus. m. Dynamite   |
| 13. Mr. Chesteron's | ch. aus. m. Newstead   |
| 14. Mr. Rudolph's   | b. aus. m. Gifford     |

For this event the four crack horses of the meeting competed, if we can include *Warlock*, who no doubt would be a formidable competitor if he had a better disposition for work. The four horses that entered an appearance were—*Claymore*, *Cassandra*, *Newstead*, and *Warlock*. As usual considerable difficulty was experienced in getting *Warlock* off, and when he did start, his obstinacy had placed him at a disadvantage, and he made a very poor race of it, sticking persistently to the last place and coming in a long way behind any of his rivals. *Newstead* took the lead and retained it throughout, although very hotly pressed by *Claymore* towards the end of the race. The two horses came up the Straight nearly neck and neck, but ultimately *Newstead* got in a winner by about two lengths, with *Cassandra* a bad third. Time, 1m. 58secs.

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| <i>Newstead</i> (Nickells) | 1 |
| <i>Claymore</i> (D'Aronx)  | 2 |
| <i>Cassandra</i> (Dodd)    | 3 |

3.—THE LADIES' PURSE, for all Ponies that have run at this Meeting, to be handicapped by the Stewards. Entrance for Ponies accepting \$5. Once Round.

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| Entries for the Ladies' Purse:— | <i>Cock Robin</i> , 12st. 0lb.; <i>Masaniello</i> , 11st. 7lb.; <i>Skyhawk</i> , 11st. 5lb.; <i>The Doctor</i> , 10st. 0lb.; <i>Pontiff</i> , 10st. 7lb.; <i>Soldanella</i> , 10st. 7lb.; <i>Ventre de Biche</i> , 10st. 4lb.; <i>Outcast</i> , 10st. 4lb.; <i>Bravo</i> , 10st. 2lb.; <i>Bras o' Mar</i> , 10st. 2lb.; <i>Moss Trooper</i> , 10st. 0lb. |
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Of these only four came forward, viz., *Skyhawk*, *Pontiff*, *Outcast*, and *Moss Trooper*. Some little difficulty was experienced on starting, and when they did at length get off *Moss Trooper* collared the lead by a good length, with *Skyhawk* second. *Pontiff*, however, soon robbed *Skyhawk* of his position, and the leader by the time the Bridge was reached had increased his lead to about four lengths; but here *Pontiff* was after him and was soon by his side.

From this point they rode in pairs. The *Trooper* and *Pontiff* leading by a good length, and riding well together. Passing the Rock *Skyhawk* and *Outcast* put on a spurt, and were gaining visibly on the leaders. The *Trooper's* energy began to show signs of flagging, and he was soon left behind; whilst *Outcast* on passing the Village secured the lead and pressed forward for the winning post. *Skyhawk* was, however, not far behind him, and soon close on his flanks. The race was here very exciting, and cries of *Outcast* and *Skyhawk* were heard alternately. Nearing the Stand the *Outcast* was still leading by half a length, but *Skyhawk* here called up all his energies and won by a neck. *Skyhawk* carried 13 lbs. more than his rival. Time, 1m. 59secs.

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| <i>Skyhawk</i> (Nickells) | 1 |
| <i>Outcast</i> (Dodd)     | 2 |
| <i>Pontiff</i> (Jenkins)  | 3 |

4.—THE SPORTSMAN'S CUP, value \$350, presented for all China Ponies *bona fide* Grifins at date of Entry. Weight for inches. Winner of the Derby, 7 lbs. extra. Winner of one race, 5 lbs. extra.

extra; of two races, 10 lbs. extra; and 3 lbs. extra for every additional race. Non-starters for the Derby, 6 lbs. extra. Penalties accumulative. Previous non-starters, 12st. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

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| 1. Mr. Head's    | or. c. p. Northern Light |
| 2. Mr. Skelton's | ch. c. p. Cook Robin     |
| 3. Mr. Andrew's  | blk. c. p. The Raven     |
| 4. Do.           | blk. c. p. Twinkle       |
| 5. Do.           | g. c. p. Morning Star    |
| 6. Do.           | g. c. p. Daybreak        |
| 7. Mr. Henry's   | g. c. p. Santa Claus     |
| 8. Mr. Monat's   | ch. c. p. The Doctor     |

Four out of the eight entries competed for this Cup, viz.: *Northern Light*, *The Raven*, *Santa Claus* and *The Doctor*. They got away pretty well together, *Santa Claus* taking the lead, with the *Doctor* second, *Raven* third. Passing the Stand they ran in line in this order, but nearing the Bridge they got closer together, *Santa Claus*, however, still leading, with the *Doctor* second. Here *Northern Light* collared the *Doctor*, but he soon had to give way. *Raven* coming up and contesting the field with *The Doctor*, the latter freely used both whip and spur. These two soon collared the leader, and passing the Village it was difficult to see who had the lead, the three being well together. Coming into the Straight *Raven* showed in front, and came down to the winning post, leading by about half a length, and won in the center by a good two lengths, with *Santa Claus* a good third. Time, 2 min. 16 sec.

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| <i>The Raven</i> (Nickells)  | 1 |
| <i>The Doctor</i> (Aubert)   | 2 |
| <i>Santa Claus</i> (D'Aronx) | 3 |

5.—THE HONGKONG PLATE, value \$100, for all beaten Horses at this Meeting. Weight 10st. 7 lbs. Entrance \$10, to go to the Winner. From the two-mile post Once Round and in.

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| 1. Dr. Gully's      | ch. aus. g. Warlock   |
| 2. The Captain's    | blk. aus. g. Driver   |
| 3. Mr. Charles's    | b. aus. g. Boomerang  |
| 4. Mr. Morgan's     | ch. aus. g. Newington |
| 5. Mr. Andre's      | b. aus. g. Tartar     |
| 6. Mr. Stevens's    | br. aus. g. The Babe  |
| 7. Mr. Grammont's   | br. aus. m. Dynamite  |
| 8. Mr. Chesteron's  | ch. aus. m. Newstead  |
| 9. Mr. Rudolph's    | b. aus. m. Gifford    |
| 10. Mr. Legor's     | ch. aus. g. Heperus   |
| 11. The Fairchild's | b. aus. g. Claymore   |
| 12. Mr. Pyle's      | ch. aus. m. Tip       |
| 13. Mr. Pyle's      | b. aus. m. Cassandra  |
| 14. Mr. Pyle's      | b. aus. m. Tip        |

Six horses came out—*Driver*, *Boomerang*, *The Babe*, *Dynamite*, *Gifford*, and *Tip*. A very fair start was effected, *Boomerang* taking the lead, which was soon taken from him by *Driver*, who rushed by the Stand at a wild pace *The Babe* being third. This position was maintained to the Bridge, when *Boomerang* collared the leader and ran side by side with him until near the Rock, when he secured the lead, *The Babe* still being third, close behind.

Coming round the Bend to the Village *Driver* was collared by the *Babe*, who now had second place and was gaining rapidly on the leader. Coming into the Straight he secured the lead, winning easily, with *Driver* a very good third, *Boomerang* being only about a neck ahead of him. Time, 2m. 15½ secs.

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| <i>The Babe</i> (D'Aronx)   | 1 |
| <i>Boomerang</i> (Nickells) | 2 |
| <i>Driver</i> (Lindsell)    | 3 |

6.—THE CENTENNIAL PLATE, value \$—presented for China, Manila and Japan Ponies. Weight for inches. Entrance \$10. From the Black Rock Twice Round and in.

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| 1. Mr. Monat's     | b. c. p. Sully        |
| 2. Do.             | ch. c. p. The Doctor  |
| 3. Mr. Clayton's   | b. c. p. Skyhawk      |
| 4. Mr. Henry's     | w. c. p. Soldanella   |
| 5. Do.             | g. c. p. Santa Claus  |
| 6. Mr. Andrew's    | blk. c. p. The Raven  |
| 7. Do.             | g. c. p. Morning Star |
| 8. Mr. Pyle's      | g. c. p. Daybreak     |
| 9. Do.             | g. c. p. Swamp        |
| 10. Do.            | blk. c. p. Outcast    |
| 11. Do.            | blk. c. p. Fei-Yen    |
| 12. Mr. Grammont's | g. c. p. Steamboat    |
| 13. Mr. Fokien's   | skd. c. p. Bravo      |
| 14. Do.            | br. c. p. Masaniello  |
| 15. Mr. Paul's     | blk. c. p. Kreutzer   |
| 16. Do.            | w. c. p. Cui Bono     |
| 17. Do.            | br. c. p. Wanderer    |
| 18. Do.            | spd. c. p. Deception  |

Five ponies competed for this event, viz.: *Soldanella*, *The Raven*, *Fei-Yen*, *Masaniello*, and *Wanderer*. This race was a trial of endurance, being more than twice round the course. A very good start was effected, *Fei-Yen* leading, with *Raven* second, and on passing the Stand the first time the order was *Fei-Yen*, *Raven*, *Wanderer*, *Masaniello*, and *Soldanella*. Passing the Rock the first time *Fei-Yen* still kept the lead, with *Raven* close upon him, *Wanderer* about five lengths behind. This position was pretty nearly maintained until passing the Stand the second time; but on nearing the Bridge all pressed forward, and before reaching the Rock *Masaniello* shot out of the rock, collared the leader and secured the lead immediately afterwards. *Fei-Yen* having to give up second place to *Raven*. By this time *Wanderer* was quite out of the race, and at the Village, *Masaniello* was leading by half a length. In the Straight a fine race ensued between *Masaniello* and *The Raven*—the other two being close together.

Coming to the winning post, the *Raven* made a gallant effort to overtake the leader, but too late, as *Masaniello* landed a winner by a head. Time, 3 min. 31 sec.

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| <i>Masaniello</i> (Webb)    | 1 |
| <i>The Raven</i> (Aubert)   | 2 |
| <i>Soldanella</i> (Tennant) | 3 |

7.—THE CHAMPION STAKES, a forced Entry for all China, Manila and Japan Ponies, winners at this Meeting: optional to beaten Ponies. Weight for inches. Entrance \$20, with \$100 from the Fund. One Mile and a-half.

Three ponies came forward for the Championship, viz., *Scamp* (10st. 9 lb.), *Skyhawk* (10st. 12 lb.) and *Cock Robin* (11st. 1 lb.) *Scamp* led off, with *Cock Robin* second. On nearing the Stand the first time they still maintained this order, with *Skyhawk* rather a bad third. A change, however, took place after passing the Rock, when *Cock Robin* showed to the front, and *Skyhawk* shooting ahead secured second place. Coming in, *Skyhawk* was hard pressed, and had nearly collared the leader, when the winning post was reached. Time, 3 min. 25½ secs.

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| <i>Cock Robin</i> (Tennant) | 1 |
| <i>Skyhawk</i> (Nickells)   | 2 |
| <i>Scamp</i> (Dodd)         | 3 |

8.—THE CONSOLATION STAKES, for all beaten China, Manila and Japan Ponies at this Meeting. Catch Weights. Entrance \$5, with \$75 from the Fund. Once Round.

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| 1. Mr. Henry's     | g. c. p. Santa Claus     |
| 2. Mr. Paul's      | blk. c. p. Kreutzer      |
| 3. Do.             | w. c. p. Moss Trooper    |
| 4. Do.             | spd. c. p. Deception     |
| 5. Do.             | w. c. p. Cui Bono        |
| 6. Do.             | br. c. p. Wanderer       |
| 7. Mr. Andrew's    | d. c. p. Ventre de Biche |
| 8. Do.             | ch. c. p. Sport          |
| 9. Do.             | blk. c. p. The Raven     |
| 10. Do.            | blk. c. p. Twinkle       |
| 11. Do.            | g. c. p. Morning Star    |
| 12. Do.            | g. c. p. Daybreak        |
| 13. Mr. Skelton's  | ch. c. p. Cook Robin     |
| 14. Do.            | g. c. p. Pontiff         |
| 15. Mr. Pyle's     | d. c. p. Outcast         |
| 16. Do.            | or. c. p. Bras o' Mar    |
| 17. Mr. Grammont's | g. c. p. Steamboat       |
| 18. Mr. Fokien's   | skd. c. p. Bravo         |
| 19. Do.            | br. c. p. Masaniello     |
| 20. Do.            | pbd. c. p. Precedence    |
| 21. Mr. Monat's    | b. c. p. Sully           |
| 22. Do.            | ch. c. p. The Doctor     |
| 23. Mr. Clayton's  | b. c. p. Skyhawk         |
| 24. Mr. Head's     | or. c. p. Northern Light |

Seven ponies started, viz., *Santa Claus*, *Deception*, *Ventre de Biche*, *Twinkle*, *Outcast*, *Bras o' Mar*, and *Bravo*. This was one of the largest fields of the day. *Ventre de Biche* did not deceive his backers, although *Outcast* sadly disappointed his "constituents." The start was pretty fair, with *Bras o' Mar* leading. Owing to the drizzle and mist, but little of the running could be seen from the Stand. The result, however, showed that *Ventre de Biche* had it all to himself, and landed an easy winner. *Bras o' Mar*, by a hard struggle, secured second place. Time, 1 min. 58 sec.

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| <i>Ventre de Biche</i> (Jenkins) | 1 |
| <i>Bras o' Mar</i> (D'Aronx)     | 2 |
| <i>Santa Claus</i> (Morgan)      | 3 |

FOURTH DAY.  
Monday, the 26th February, 1877.  
(Races to commence at 3 p.m.)  
The first Sadding-Bell to be rung at 2.45 p.m.  
Acceptances close at 9 a.m. on Monday, the 26th February, 1877, to the Clerk of the Course, at the Club House.

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| 1.—THE STRUT CUP, value \$150,—for all Ponies. Entrance \$5, to go to the Second Pony. To be handicapped by Mr. Sheppard. One Mile. |
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| 2.—THE COAST CUP, value \$200,—for all Horses. Entrance \$5, to go to the Second Horse. To be handicapped by Mr. Sheppard. One-mile-and-a-quarter. |
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| 3.—THE MASANIELLO CUP, value \$200,—for all beaten Ponies. Weight for inches. Entrance \$5, to go to the Second Pony. One-mile-and-a-half. |
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## Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in this Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *A*, near the Kowloon shore *K*, and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked *C*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

- Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
  2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
  3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
  4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.
  5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
  6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
  7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
  8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor- age.	Captain.	Flag.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignee or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
<b>Steamers</b>								
Amoy	5 c	Drowes	Brit. str.	814	Feb. 24	Siemens & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Bombay	5 c	Smith	Brit. str.	849	Jan. 4	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	K'long Dock
Batuan	4 c	Mariano	Span. str.	257	Feb. 23	Order.		
China	4 c	Hennings	Ger. str.	648	Feb. 11	Siemens & Co.	Shanghai	K'long Dock
Douglas	4 c	Burnie	Brit. str.	864	Feb. 18	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Coast Ports	Ab'deen Dock
Emerald	4 c	Thoband	Brit. str.	393	Feb. 18	A. Mc G. Heaton	Manila	To-day
Flintshire	4 c	Thomas	Brit. str.	1243	Feb. 17	H. Kier		
Glenroy	4 c	Taylor	Brit. str.	1870	Feb. 12	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	London, &c.	Ab'deen Dock
Killarney	4 c	O'Neill	Brit. str.	1060	Feb. 12	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Cooktown	26th, 2 p.m.
Leonor	5 c	Young	Brit. str.	408	Feb. 23	Douglas Laprak & Co.	Coast Ports, &c.	26th, noon
Oceanic	3 c	Parsell	Brit. str.	2349	Feb. 19	G. E. Emory	Y'ham & San F'isco	Mails
Pan Tah	4 c	Patterson	Chi. str.	870	Feb. 24	C. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	To-day
Penedo	4 c	Gain	Brit. str.	652	Feb. 7	Melchers & Co.	Saigon	To-day
Saida	4 c	White	Brit. str.	37	Dec. 17	Douglas Laprak & Co.		
Stentor	4 c	Hutchinson	Brit. str.	1300	Feb. 14	Butterfield & Swire	London &c.	To-day
Swatow	2 c	White	Brit. str.	580	Feb. 14	Butterfield & Swire	Saigon	To-day
Yutong	2 c	Hutchinson	Brit. str.	324	June 9	Kwok Acheong		Repairing
Zamboanga	2 c	Lopez	Span. str.	651	Feb. 21	Remedios & Co.	Manila	Coast Dock
<b>Sailing Vessels</b>								
A. F. Stalknecht	8 c	Schultz	Ger. bge.	539	Feb. 8	Siemens & Co.		
Adela	8 c	Beattie	Brit. bge.	358	Feb. 14	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	Portland	
Alden Bease	8 c	Noyes	Amer. bge.	842	Jan. 28	Rozario & Co.		
Belle of Oregon	8 c	Morrison	Amer. bge.	1168	Feb. 9	Rozario & Co.		
Bertha	8 c	Ringle	Ger. bge.	442	Jan. 26	Weller & Co.		
Bonita	4 c	Wesenberg	Ger. bge.	524	Jan. 28	Siemens & Co.		
Bua Caco	4 c	Lang	Slam. bge.	373	Jan. 28	Siemens & Co.		
Canton	8 c	Crants	Ger. bge.	1033	Feb. 2	Order		
Carpo	8 c	Murphy	Slam. bge.	200	April 30	Chinese		
Chong Soon	5 c	Chong Sang	Amer. sch.	230	Jan. 9	Insurance Company		
Cocoon	4 c	Vincent	Amer. bge.	529	Jan. 9	Rozario & Co.	Portland	
Edward James	4 c	Quigley	Brit. sm. sc.	881	Feb. 17	Siemens & Co.		
Formosa	4 c	Vandervord	Brit. bge.	750	Feb. 1	Rozario & Co.	Portland	
Forward	4 c	Forbes	Amer. bge.	670	Feb. 22	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Gairbald	8 c	McEachern	Brit. bge.	456	Feb. 23	Order		
Glamorganshire	8 c	Oom	Ger. sm. sc.	220	Feb. 16	Russell & Co.		
Hongkong	8 c	Hohlmann	Ger. bge.	417	Feb. 20	Siemens & Co.		
Jacobus	3 c	Grove	Dan. bge.	317	Feb. 12	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Koror	7 c	Vincent	Amer. sch.	45	Aug. 18	Insurance Cos.		
Loiterer	2 c	Young	Brit. bge.	890	Feb. 11	Butterfield & Swire		
Lydia	8 c	Taylor	Amer. sch.	1800	Jan. 31	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
McNear	8 c	Bradford	Amer. bge.	741	Jan. 26	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Cebu	
Nahamah Gibson	8 c	Luders	Ger. bge.	422	Feb. 9	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Rapid	2 c	Hunte	Slam. bge.	429	Jan. 9	Chinese		
Rio Logo	1 c	Matthews	Brit. bge.	241	Feb. 5	Olyphant & Co.		
Rosa Bittcher	8 c	Schultz	Ger. bge.	895	Feb. 5	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Sarah Nicholas	8 c	Selkirk	Brit. sch.	933	Feb. 5	Melchers & Co.		
Siamese Crown	2 c	Saxtroph	Slam. bge.	340	Feb. 10	Black Mee & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Spirit of the Age	4 c	Johnson	Brit. bge.	547	Jan. 10	Rozario & Co.		
St. Anne	4 c	Jan	Feb. 6	600	Feb. 21	Carlowitz & Co.		
Star of China	7 c	Blaker	Brit. sch.	734	Jan. 21	Douglas Laprak & Co.		
Sumatra	3 c	Clough	Amer. sch.	1073	Oct. 21	Russell & Co.	San Francisco	Wanchai Pier
Tyburnia	7 c	Goldner	Brit. sch.	152	Jan. 31	Meyer & Co.		
Union	3 c	Weschevart	Span. sch.	1135	Feb. 12	Remedios & Co.		
Western Belle	8 c	Fish	Amer. bge.	681	Feb. 12	Rozario & Co.		
William Turner	8 c	Vandervord	Brit. bge.	681	Feb. 12	Rozario & Co.		
<b>WHAMPOA</b>								
Isat	8 c	Pearse	Brit. bge.	327	Feb. 19	Douglas Laprak & Co.		
Presto	8 c	Laidman	Brit. bge.	384	Feb. 20	Arnold, Karberg & Co.		
Signal	8 c	Witney	Amer. bge.	493	Feb. 10	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Chetoo	

## Men-of-war in Hongkong Harbour.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor- age.	Flag.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Date of Arrival.	Commander.
Achuelot	6 h	American	corvette	1100	6	700	Feb. 19	E. O. Matthews
Audacious	6 h	British	iron-clad (flag-ship)	8750	14	800	Feb. 21	Colomb
Ching Ting	6 h	Chinese	revenue cruiser	880	4	900	Dec. 16	
Egeria	6 c	Chinese	revenue cruiser	580	4	120	Feb. 21	Cooker
Fel Hoo	6 c	Chinese	gun vessel	464	4	120	Feb. 6	Walter Stewart
Growler	7 c	Chinese	gun vessel	464	4	120	Feb. 20	H. M. Hippleley
Hornet	7 c	Chinese	troopship	3400	...	...	Feb. 14	E. White
Himalaya	7 c	Chinese	troopship	1200	...	...	Feb. 23	Borrafo
Marquez de la Vica	6 c	Spanish	military hospital	2501	...	...		
Moesane	6 c	British	gunboat	465	4	120	Dec. 19	H. Salmon
Midge	6 h	British	gun vessel	600	...	...	Feb. 17	Valda
Nautilus	6 c	German	transport	1200	...	...	Feb. 23	Rapallo
Peking	6 c	Spanish	gun vessel	408	...	...	Jan. 24	Lieut. com. E. A. Bolitho
Swinger	7 h	British	surveying vessel	505	...	...	Jan. 15	Bonham W. Baz
Sylvia	7 h	British	gun vessel	444	2	100	Jan. 8	F. Amaral
Telo	6 c	Portug.	Commodore's flag-ship	3087	2	250	Feb. 23	Commodore Watson
Victor Emanuel	6 c	British	despatch vessel	650	2	250	Feb. 23	H. C. D. Ryder
Vigilant	6 h	British	despatch vessel	650	2	250	Feb. 23	H. C. D. Ryder

## HONGKONG, MACAO AND CANTON RIVER

Name.	Tons.	Captain.	Owners.	Name.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Commander.
<b>STEAMERS.</b>				<b>CHINESE GUN-VESSELS IN CANTON WATERS, &amp;c.</b>				
Fame	117	Stopani	H. & W'gon Dock Co.	An-lan	431	7	...	J. Godall
Bei Wan	700	Martin	H. & W'gon Dock Co.	Chen-jui	28	1	...	E. F. Collins
Iohang	457	Bennings, A.	H. & W'gon Dock Co.	Ching-po	180	...	...	Wan Lum Wan
Kin Shan	617	Bennings, T.	H. & W'gon Dock Co.	Ching-tung	280	6	...	E. Choy
Kiu Kiang	69	...	Kwok Acheong	Chun-hai	600	5	400	C. E. Palmer
Lintin	1500	...	H. & W'gon Dock Co.	Peng-chau-hai	180	8	60	Li Ping Tye
Powan	101	Hawkins	Kwok Acheong	Shen-shi	150	5	...	H. Wade
Sir J. Jeejeebhoy	140	Lefavour	H. & W'gon Dock Co.	Sul-tung	150	6	60	Stewart
Spark	280	Hoyland	H. & W'gon Dock Co.	Tehing-tung	150	6	60	Bessard
White Cloud	180	Brown	Kwok Acheong	Tien-po	150	6	150	C. De Longueville
Yantai	180	...	...	Wing-po	600	8	150	Lam Man Wo

## FOOCHOW SHIPPING IN PORT.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor- age.	Flag.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	H. P.	Date of Arrival.	Commander.
<b>FOOCHOW SHIPPING IN PORT.</b>								
F. Nightingale	for London	British	gunboat	...	...	...	Feb. 17, 1877.	
Hornet	for Hongkong	British	gunboat	...	...	...		
Leonor	for Shanghai	British	barque	...	...	...		
Lulu	for Shanghai	British	barque	...	...	...		
Vesta	for Shanghai	British	barque	...	...	...		
Wm. Manson	for Shanghai	British	barque	...	...	...		
Yang Woo	Chinese corvette	Chinese	corvette	...	...	...		
<b>SHIPPING IN SHANGHAI HARBOUR.</b>								
<b>STEAMERS.</b>								
Apple	British	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Barrak	British	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chibbi	American	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cyprien	British	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dragon	British	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Europe	British	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fire Queen	American	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fingekin	American	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fuyama	American	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fuyow	Chinese	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fyehow	American	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
H. C. Orsted	Danish	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<b>HERMANT STEAMERS.</b>								
Haining	British	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hakwang	Chinese	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hanyang	British	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hirodo	Japanese	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hiroshima Maru	Japanese	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hon Maru	American	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Honan	American	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hupsh	American	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kiangyung	Chinese	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lee Yuen	Chinese	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Millet	American	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nanking	American	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Olympia	German	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Paoting	American	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Patrolus	British	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Perth	American	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ping-on	British	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Plymouth Rock	American	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shanghai	British	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shaness	American	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shantung	American	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shingkin	Chinese	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sin Namding	British	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stentor	British	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Swatow	British	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Taiyuan	Chinese	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<b>HERMANT SAILING VESSELS.</b>								
Agate Mule	for London	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Alma	American barque	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ching Tai	Chinese barque	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Frohlich	German barque	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Golden State	for New York	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Harkness	for New York	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Invincible	British schooner	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jerfallon	British schooner	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
John Foite	for London	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Raymond	Spanish barque	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rita	British barque	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Robina	British barque	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
<b>HERMANT SAILING VESSELS.</b>								
Charybdis	British corvette	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Haidamack	Russian dia. boat	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lapwing	British gunboat	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Lido	British corvette	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Mosby	Russian ship	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Saba	Russian ship	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

\* Since left port, or arrived at Hongkong.

## HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Saturday, February 17, 1877.

At 1000 Cash per Dollar Mexican.

Highest, Lowest, Cash, Credit.

## Butcher Meat.

Bacon, English, lb. 450 400

" Ama. Sugar cured, 300 250

" Foochow, 180 140

Beef, airloin and prime cut, cy. 160 150